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For: FUEL TANK VENTING SYSTEM FOR
REDUCED FUEL PERMEATION

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, and more particularly in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b), Applicant cites the following references (each listed for the Examiner's convenience on the enclosed Form PTO-1449):

No.	Date of Publication	Patentee/Applicant/Assignee
6,189,567	02/20/2001	Foltz
6,408,867	06/25/2002	Aoki et al.
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OTHER ART (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.)

US Patent Application Publication US 2002/0011490 A1, Nakamura et al., PLASTIC FUEL TANK HAVING AN ARRANGEMENT FOR WELDING A COMPONENT PART IN A FUEL IMPERMEABLE MANNER, Published on January 31, 2002.

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US Patent Application Publication US 2003/0062083 A1, Nishi et al., FUEL CUTOFF VALVE, Published on April 3, 2003.

A copy of each listed reference for which a copy is required under 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2) is also enclosed. As each of the listed references is in English, no further commentary is believed to be necessary, 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(3). Applicant respectfully solicits the Examiner's consideration of the listed references and entry thereof into the record of this application.



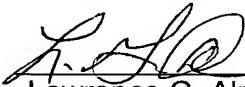
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Respectfully submitted,

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Copies of listed references

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